PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Akio KOBAYASHI et al.

Application No.: 10/041,633

Filed: January 10, 2002

METHOD FOR PROCESSING CELLS

Group Art Unit: 1632

V. BERTOGLIO

Docket No.:

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SMALL ENTITY REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

For:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.114, Applicant(s) hereby request(s) continued examination.

Applicant(s) further request(s) entry and consideration of the attached submission.

The above-identified application was filed on or after June 8, 1995. Thus, entry is proper under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(d).

Attached hereto is our check no. 174898 in the amount of \$\infty\$ \$395.00 as payment of the fees set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this page are enclosed.

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